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Abstract of letter dated 9 June 1957 from [REDACTED]
to [REDACTED] I/AR.

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[REDACTED], Assistant to the Vice President of Manufacturing, intends on touring European aircraft and other manufacturing plants. His trip is planned for the purpose of investigating manufacturing techniques and equipment that might be applicable to airframe and missile production. He is especially interested in such operations as forming, cutting, drilling, fastening, machining, and welding of both aluminum alloy and high temperature resistant material. Also, methods used in assembling electrical components. His tentative itinerary calls for visiting Sweden, Netherlands, Germany, France and England. I discussed with him, together with [REDACTED], the possibility of your agency briefing him. [REDACTED] ATIC and has proposed a joint briefing. [REDACTED] an excellent background in tooling and machine equipment and I am sure that his evaluation of these countries' production techniques would be valuable to your agency.

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Attached you will find a listing of the companies and the countries he intends to visit. Would it be possible for you or [REDACTED] to arrange a briefing for him? He intends to be in Washington, D.C. on August 1st. Yesterday, at the direction of [REDACTED] he contacted your Field Representative, [REDACTED] and told him of these desires. He also told [REDACTED] that I was contacting you and that [REDACTED] had contacted ATIC. I hope you feel that this trip could be of value to the agency. I would appreciate your taking the necessary actions.

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